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**MEDICARE CURRENT BENEFICIARY SURVEY**  
Health Status & Functioning -- Helper

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This file contains information about those persons who helped the SP perform various activities. These are activities of daily living (ADLs), instrumental activities of daily living (IADLs), making Medicare insurance decisions, and/or taking care of Medicare paperwork. It includes each helper's relationship to the respondent and specifies which activities in which the helper assists.

There is one record for each person who helped the SP with an ADL, an IADL, or other activity. Therefore, it is possible to have one, several, or no records per respondent.

RIC	1	2					C Record Identification Code
VERSION	3	1					C Version Number
BASEID	4	8	\$BSIDFMT				C Unique SP Identification Number
				10,665			LOW-HIGH BASEID Count
HLPRNUM	12	2					C Helper Identification Number
HLPRREL	14	2	RELFMT				N Relationship of Helper to SP
				7			-8 Don't know
				3			-7 Refused
				0			-5 Never ask again
				0			1 Sample person
				3,627			2 Spouse
				976			3 Son
				2,053			4 Daughter
				95			5 Brother
				288			6 Sister
				107			7 Father
				404			8 Mother
				80			9 Son-in-law
				207			10 Daughter-in-law
				121			11 Grandson
				261			12 Granddaughter
				47			13 Nephew
				141			14 Niece
				106			50 Partner/roommate
				595			51 Friend/neighbor
				11			52 Boarder
				261			53 Nurse/nurses aide
				26			54 Legal/financial officer
				9			55 Guardian
				170			91 Other relative
				1,070			92 Other non-relative
HLPRAGE	16	3	AGE2FMT		EN7		N Age of helper
				4,586			. Inapplicable
				6,079			Age in years

Notes: Applies to all helpers who lived with the SP at any time.  
First available in 1992

LIVEWITH	19	2	YES1FMT		IN7		N Does helper live with SP?
				5,954			1 Yes
				4,711			2 No

Notes: Based on residence of helper as of the fall round.  
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HCPROF	21	2	YES1FMT		HH1		N Is helper a health care professional?
				344			1 Yes
				10,321			2 No
				Note: First available in 1992			
HLPRTLE	23	2	YES1FMT		HFK4a		N Helper who assists SP w/ the telephone
				824			1 Yes
				9,841			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HELPTLE = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRLHWK	25	2	YES1FMT		HFK4b		N Helper who assists SP w/ light housework
				2,199			1 Yes
				8,466			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HELPLHWK = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRHWWK	27	2	YES1FMT		HFK4c		N Helper who assists SP w/ heavy housework
				4,813			1 Yes
				5,852			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HELPHWWK = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPMEAL	29	2	YES1FMT		HFK4d		N Helper who assists SP prepare meals
				1,796			1 Yes
				8,869			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HELPMEAL = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPESHOP	31	2	YES1FMT		HFK4e		N Helper who assists SP with shopping
				2,719			1 Yes
				7,946			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HELPSHOP = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPBILS	33	2	YES1FMT		HFK4f		N Helper who assists SP manage money
				1,545			1 Yes
				9,120			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if HELPBILS = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPBATH	35	2	YES1FMT		HFL9a		N Helper who assists SP with bathing
				1,675			1 Yes
				8,990			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if EQIPBATH = 1 First available in 1992			

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HLPREDRES	37	2	YES1FMT		HFL9b		N Helper who assists SP with dressing
				1,256			1 Yes
				9,409			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if EQUIPDRES = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPREAT	39	2	YES1FMT		HFL9c		N Helper who assists SP with eating
				365			1 Yes
				10,300			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if EQUIPEAT = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPCHAR	41	2	YES1FMT		HFL9d		N Helper who assists SP get in/out chairs
				1,266			1 Yes
				9,399			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if EQUIPCCHAR = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPWALK	43	2	YES1FMT		HFL9e		N Helper who assists SP with walking
				1,625			1 Yes
				9,040			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if EQUIPWALK = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPRTAIL	45	2	YES1FMT		HFL9f		N Helper who assists SP with using toilet
				636			1 Yes
				10,029			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if EQUIPTAIL = 1 First available in 1992			
HLPUSGO	47	2	YES1FMT		US11		N Helper who usually goes with SP to Dr
				6,141			1 Yes
				4,524			2 No
				Notes: Applies only if someone usually accompanies SP [ACCOMPUS=1 (RIC 3)] First available in 1992			
USREMAIN	49	2	REMFMT		US11a		N Does helper remain with you at Dr
				2			-8 Don't know
				4,524			-1 Inapplicable
				3,433			1 Yes always
				1,597			2 No Never
				1,109			3 Sometimes
				Notes: Applies only if someone usually accompanies SP [ACCOMPUS=1 (RIC 3)] First available in 2001			